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REDUCTION IN MORALITY AND MORBIDITY OF LIVESTOCK
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the morbidity and morality of livestock has increased in the country;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to reduce the morality and morbidity of livestock in various States during the last three years;

(d) the details of the Centrally sponsored schemes implemented for the promotion of livestock;

(e) the assistance provided to each State for the purpose during the said period;

(f) whether any scheme related to research and development in the field of veterinary in the States is being implemented;

(g) if so, the details thereof; and

(h) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a) and (b) No, Sir. The morbidity and mortality of livestock due to various diseases have net increased.

(c) In order to reduce the incidence of diseases in animals, the Government of India has initiated a scheme called Livestock Health and Disease Control form March, 2003 under which grants-in-aid is provided to the States for carrying out vaccination against various animal diseases of economic importance. The States use the grants as per their priority and disease situation in their State/region as per the Annual Action Plan. Further, one Central and five Regional Disease Diagnostic Laboratories have been strengthened for speedy diagnosis of the livestock diseases in the States.

(d) and (e) The Department is implementing the following Centrally Sponsored Schemes in the States namely; National Project for Cattle & Buffalo Breeding Programme, Conservation of Threatened Livestock Breeds, Feed and Fodder Development and Livestock Health & Disease Control. The details of the assistance provided during the last three years are given in the enclosed statement-I.

(f) to (h) The Indian Council of Agricultural Research is implementing a number of research schemes in the field of veterinary in the States. The details are given in the enclosed statement-II.